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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

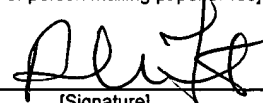
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references A) to D) which were cited in the International Search Report issued by the European Patent Office with regard to the corresponding international patent application No. PCT/EP2003/014717, reference E) which is cited in the instant specification and reference F). Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

	Country:	Patent or Appl. No:	Patentee or Applicant:	Issue or Filing Date:
A)	France	FR 2 606 686 A	Cebal	05-20-1988
B)	Japan	JP 61 193730 A	Takeuchi Press K.	08-28-1986
C)	Germany	DE 24 26 240 A	Kitsuda K.	12-11-1975
D)	USA	US 5 572 893 A	Goda et al.	11-12-1996
E)	Germany	DE 299 10 184 U1	Tubex GmbH	11-16-2000
F)	Austria	276024	Boxal Beaurepaire	11-10-1969

Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

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In order to satisfy the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of the relevance of each item of information, applicant herewith submits a copy of the International Search Report. In addition, applicant notes with respect to any information that is not in English language as follows:

Reference E) discloses a spray can of said type which has a circumferential grip recess in the can body, about 3 to 4 cm from the can opening.

Reference F) describes a process for making a hollow metallic article from a tubular blank closed at one end, by deforming the entire periphery of the wall of the blank over its entire length from one end to the opposite end.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

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Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application  
is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial	Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date, if appropriate
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Translation
FR 2 606 686 A	05-20-1988	France			no
JP 61 193730 A	08-28-1986	Japan			abstract
DE 24 26 240 A	12-11-1975	Germany			no
DE 299 10 184	11-16-2000	Germany			no
276024	11-10-1969	Austria			no

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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